

Forest Land - Gadchiroli

Diversion of 4.50 ha. forest land under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, in favour of Project Officer Integrated Tribal Development, Gadchiroli for Establishing Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) at Dhanora, Taluka-Dhanora, District-Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

**Government of Maharashtra
Revenue and Forest Department
Government Order No.FLD-2021/C.R.122/F-10
Mantralaya, Mumbai 400032.
Date:- 12.03.2024.**

Reference:

- 1) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Letter No. Desk-17/NC/I/ID-12871/1354/20-12, dt.17.03.2021.
- 2) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter No.FC-1/MH-223/2021-NGP/9399, dt. 28.02.2022.
- 3) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Gadchiroli/ID-12871/2723/2022-23, dt.18.01.2023.
- 4) Government of Maharashtra letter No.FLD-2021/C.R.122/F-10, dt.25.08.2023.
- 5) Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter No.FC-1/MH-223/2021-NGP/12196, dt. 14.09.2023.
- 6) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/FA/S2/PID-118632/ Gadchiroli/2536, dt. 30.11.2023.

Order:-

Whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.1 has submitted a proposal to Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur for diversion of 4.50 ha. forest land under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, in favour of Project Officer Integrated Tribal Development, Gadchiroli for Establishing Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) at Dhanora, Taluka-Dhanora, District-Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, the Government of India after due consideration, vide letter under reference No.2, accorded 'In-principle' approval to divert the 4.50 ha. Forest Land for the above project under section 2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. The said approval is subject to fulfillment of certain conditions by the User Agency;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.3 and Government of Maharashtra

vide letter under reference No.4 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of India;

AND whereas, the Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur, vide under reference no. 5 accorded 'Final approval' to divert the of 4.50 ha. of Forest land in favour of The Project Officer, Integrated Tribal Development, Gadchiroli for Establishing Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) at Dhanora, Taluka-Dhanora, District-Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra under section 2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.6 has requested State Government to issue diversion order in the matter;

NOW, therefore, Government of Maharashtra hereby directs that the area of 4.50 ha consisting of Protected Forest Land more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No. 1 and as per details given in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e. The Project Officer, Integrated Tribal Development Project, Gadchiroli for Establishing Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) at Dhanora, Taluka-Dhanora, District-Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the letters dated 28.02.2022 and dated 14.09.2023 of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

1. The User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the 'in-principle' and 'final approval' letters of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur, referred above. The Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency and shall furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.
2. For ensuring the compliances and for monitoring the duly prescribed activities and also to carry out other statutory duties, user agency shall facilitate unhindered access/entry in the area to the local forest Officer. In case the user agency prohibits the free access or create hindrances, the permission given under this Order for the diversion of forest area for the non-forest use shall be withdrawn.

3. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur, letters dated 28.02.2022 and dated 14.09.2023, in this order and Rules & Guidelines made / issued under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, shall amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.
4. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli shall report through the State Government to the Regional Officer (Central), Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur as per procedure laid down in guidelines under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 .

SCHEDULE

Sr. No.	Item of work	Name of Village	Compt No.	Survey No	Length (in Mtr.)	Width (in Mtr.)	Area (in ha)	Legal Status
1.	School Building	Dhanora	520	143	86	30	0.258	Protected Forest
2.	Girls Hostel				80	29.5	0.236	
3.	Boys Hostel				80	29.5	0.236	
4.	Kitchen & Dinning				30.50	18	0.055	
5.	Guest House				10	8	0.008	
6.	Principal Residence				13	10	0.013	
7.	Type-III Quarter				40	30	0.12	
8.	Type-II Quarter				35	20	0.07	
9.	Other (Pump Room etc.)				10	8	0.008	
10.	Play Ground Road & External development				349.6	100	2.82	
Total Forest area							4.50 ha.	

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

(Ganesh Jadhao)
Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

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1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.

2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur.
3. Deputy Director General of Forest (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & CEO, Maha-CAMPA, Nagpur.
5. Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Nagpur.
6. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), Nagpur.
7. Collector, Gadchiroli.
8. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Gadchiroli.
9. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli.
10. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadchiroli.
11. The Project Officer, Integrated Tribal Development Project, Gadchiroli.
12. Select File.

I. Collector- Gadchiroli and Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Gadchiroli, are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government and they shall also ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.

II. The Project Officer, Integrated Tribal Development Project, Gadchiroli, is hereby directed to publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No. etc. and along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the Central Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadchiroli.

III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general public.